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**Claim Amendments and Listing:**

1. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell ~~[[ (1) ]]~~ having an anode, a cathode and an electrolyte which is an ion exchange membrane, wherein the anode and cathode are immediately adjacent the electrolyte and wherein the anode electrode comprising comprises an electrocatalyst ~~[[ (32) ]]~~ on a support, ~~wherein the support which~~ is a mesh ~~[[ (30) ]]~~ of conductive material.
2. – 4. (Canceled)
5. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell according to ~~any one of claims claim 1 to 4,~~ wherein the electrocatalyst ~~[[ (32) ]]~~ is a metal, metal alloy, metal oxide or metal hydride.
6. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell according to ~~any one of claims claim 1 to 5,~~ wherein the mesh ~~[[ (30) ]]~~ has a minimum pore size of 5µm.
7. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell according to ~~any one of claims claim 1 to 5,~~ wherein the mesh ~~[[ (30) ]]~~ has a minimum pore size of 50µm.
8. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell according to ~~any one of claims claim 1 to 7,~~ wherein the mesh ~~[[ (30) ]]~~ comprises a plurality of layers ~~[[ (40) ]]~~.
9. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell according to claim 8, wherein adjacent layers of the mesh ~~[[ (30) ]]~~ are orientated at an angle to one another.
10. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell according to ~~any one of claims claim 1 to 9,~~ wherein the mesh ~~[[ (30) ]]~~ is made of a conductive material selected from metal, metal alloy and metal composite.
11. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell according to claim 10, wherein the mesh ~~[[ (30) ]]~~ is made from titanium or titanium alloy.
12. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell according to ~~any one of claims claim 1 to 11,~~ wherein there is at least one intermediate layer between the electrocatalyst ~~[[ (32) ]]~~ and the mesh ~~[[ (30) ]]~~.

13. (Currently Amended) A method of operating a fuel cell according to ~~any one of claims claim 1 to 12~~, comprising the step of contacting a fuel ~~[[ (20 ) ] ]~~ and an oxidant on said anode electrode comprising an electrocatalyst ~~[[ (32 ) ] ]~~ supported on a mesh of conductive material ~~[[ (30 ) ] ]~~.

14. (Currently Amended) The use of a ~~a~~ ~~[[ an ] ]~~ membrane electrode assembly comprising an anode, a cathode and an electrolyte which is an ion exchange membrane, wherein the anode and cathode are immediately adjacent the electrolyte and wherein the anode comprises an electrocatalyst ~~[[ (32 ) ] ]~~ supported on a mesh of conductive material ~~(30), as described in~~ ~~any one of claims 1 to 12~~, in a fuel cell.